

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/904,232

Examiner

Qi Han

Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 05/12/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 22-26.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date this action.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendments

1. This communication is responsive to the applicant's amendment dated 05/12/2005. Applicant amended claims 22-25, cancelled claims 1-21, and added new claim 26 (see pages 2-4).
2. The examiner withdraws the rejection regarding claims 1-25 under 35 USC 103, because applicant cancelled and amended the claims, and combined all the limitations of claims 19 (independent claim) and 20-21 with the claim 24, which has been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent, as pointed out in the last office action.

Drawings

3. It is noted that the statement regarding Figs 1-3 and 4a-4b in the amendment (filed on 05/12/2005, page 4, paragraph 2) indicates that the applicant accepted the examiner's suggestion, but on the submitted amended drawings filed on 05/12/2005, the proposed texts "Prior Art" are missing. Based on the statement in the amendment (see page 4, paragraph 2), the drawings filed on 05/12/2005 are acceptable and subject to correction of the informalities indicated on the attachment (tree page drawings with examiner suggested correction) with this office action. In order to avoid abandonment of this application, correction is required in reply to the Office action. The correction will not be held in abeyance.

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Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 22-26 are allowed.

The reason for allowance is based the same reason described in previous office action (see section of Allowable Subject Matter in the previous office action filed on 03/09/2005).

5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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July 19, 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David D. Knepper", with a stylized flourish at the end.

DAVID D. KNEPPER
PRIMARY EXAMINER

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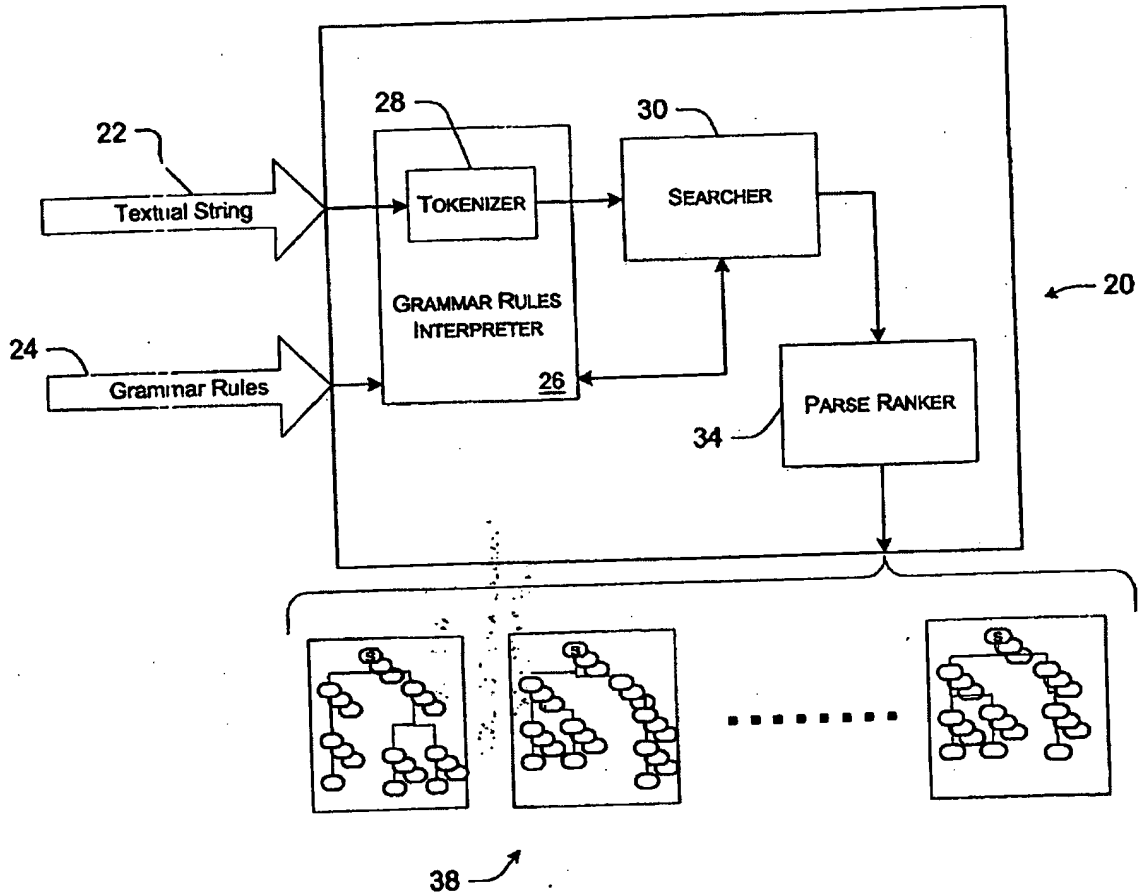


FIG. 1

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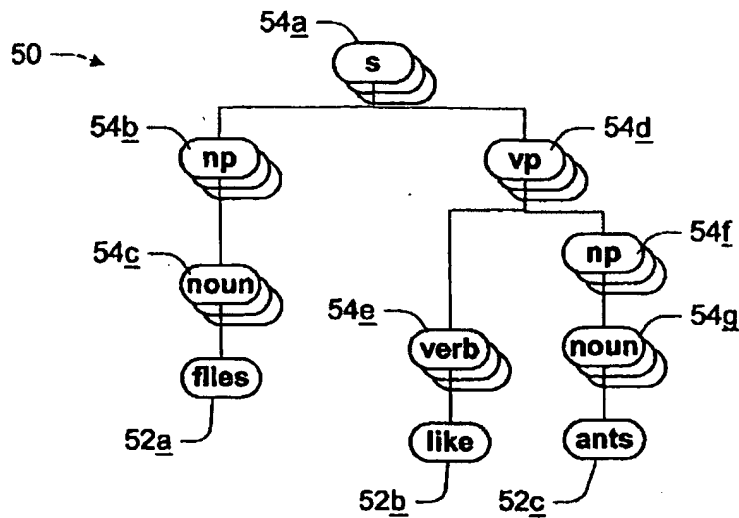


FIG. 2

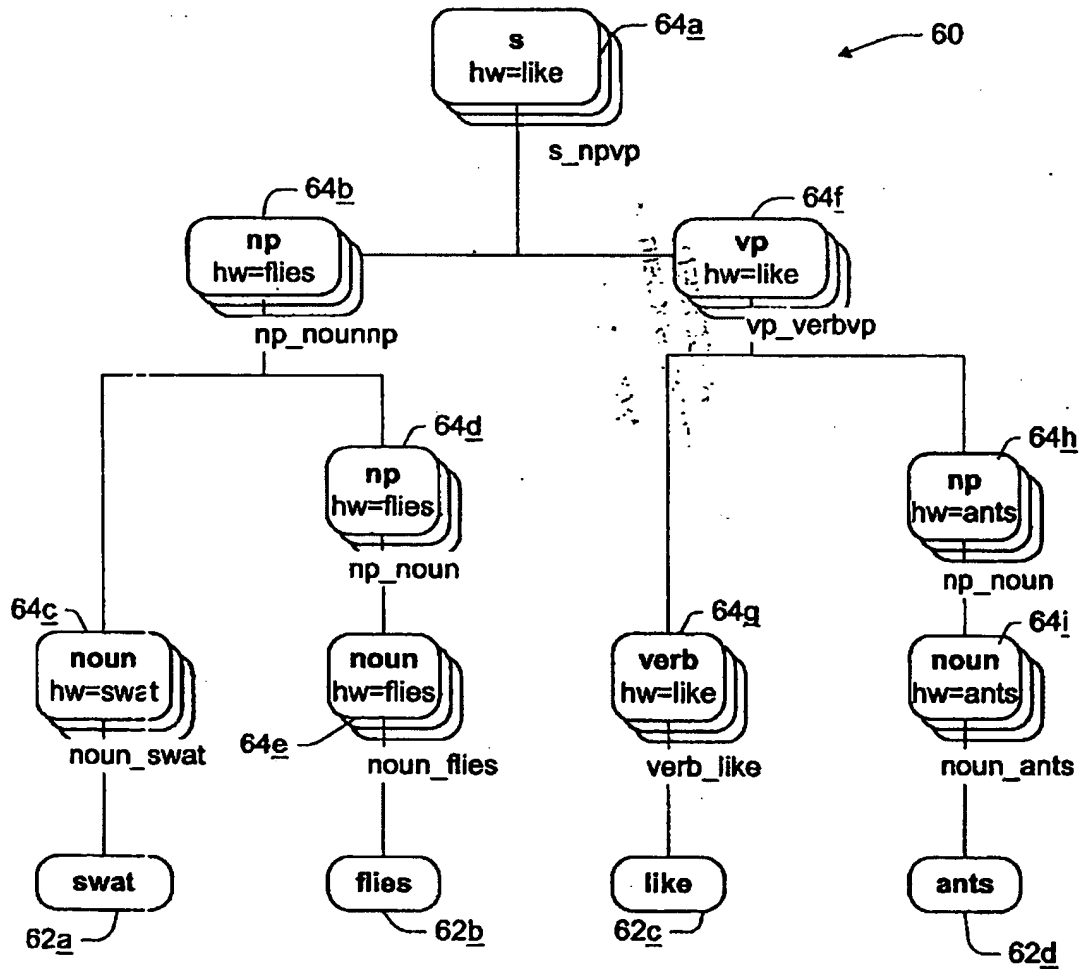
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FIG. 3

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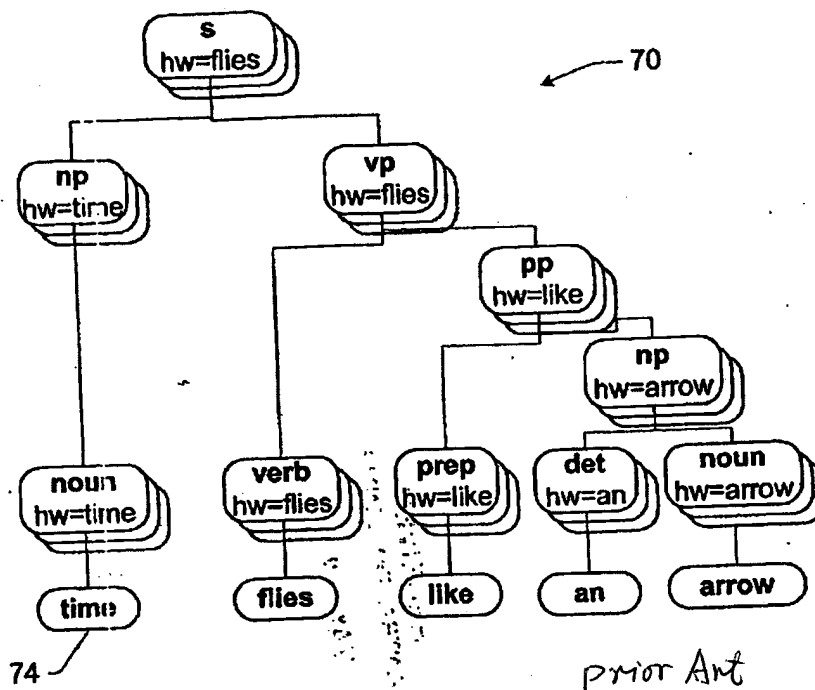


FIG. 4a

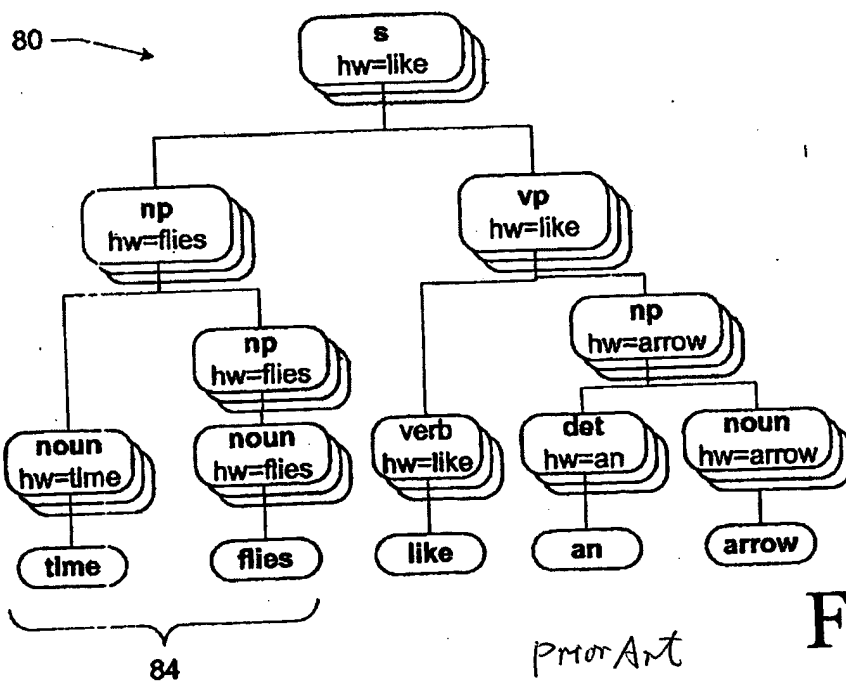


FIG. 4b